Attorney's Docket No. Navy Case 83,367

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) Group Art Unit: 2632
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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action mailed on March 17, 2003 pertaining to the above-identified patent application. As this Office Action was a non-Final action. Applicants' reply in the form of an AMENDMENT is attached hereto.

[X]	A petition for an extension of time is also enclosed.
[]	A Terminal Disclaimer is also enclosed.
[]	Also enclosed is
[]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.
[]	Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$370.00 (279) [] \$740.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
[]	Applicant(s) previously submitted, on, for which continued examination is requested.
[]	No additional fee is required.
[]	An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS								
	No. Of Claims	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	Extra Claims	RATE	Addt'l Fee			
Total Claims	4	20 MINUS =	0	X \$18.00 (103) =	00.00			
Independent Claims	4	6 MINUS =	0	X \$84.00 (102) =	00.00			
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Total Amendment Fee					00.00			
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee								
TOTAL ADDITIONA	\$00.00							

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge an appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0281. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully Submitted

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[[]X] Charge \$930.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0281.